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RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION **DATED JULY 2, 2004**

Dear Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Non-Final Office Action dated July 2, 2004, having a shortened statutory period expiring October 2, 2004. Further examination and reconsideration are respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.